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Mr. Mel Poole USDI National Park Service Cotoctin Mountain Park Thurmont, MD 21788

Dear Mr. Poole:

On June 22, 2003 I conducted an aerial survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Catoctin Mountain Park. I am pleased to report that no defoliation was detected at, or in the vicinity of, your site. The gypsy moth suppression project conducted on May 14, 2003, provided foliage protection for the entire 67 acre treatment area.

We will be conducting a gypsy moth egg mass survey this fall at Catoctin Mountain Park. I will coordinate this activity with James Voight.

Please contact me at 304-285-1555 if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

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